

Adding to her professional accomplishments, Ms. Wilson has been recognized for speaking on anesthesia-related topics over the years. She has taken her experience and knowledge from the workplace and her AANA leadership role to lecture on political and academic anesthesia-related topics for different professional groups. During her AANA presidency, Ms. Wilson has advocated for CRNAs and patients before the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Food and Drug Administration, and other Federal agencies. In addition, Ms. Wilson worked to bring the AANA's perspective to the national debate on how to improve veterans health care, ensuring that AANA was represented in Congressional hearings to testify about the contributions of CRNAs in the Veterans Affairs health system and the dedication with which CRNAs provide safe anesthesia care to members of the U.S. Armed Forces at home and abroad. Finally, Ms. Wilson has been an invaluable advocate in advancing reform and equity in Medicare anesthesia reimbursement in educational settings so that seniors and persons with disabilities will have access to safe anesthesia care. Legislation recently enacted by Congress to reverse Medicare payment cuts also reformed Medicare anesthesia payment teaching rules for CRNAs and anesthesiologists, a long-standing policy objective of the AANA.

Madam Speaker, I hope my colleagues will join me today in recognizing the outgoing president of the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists, Ms. Wanda Wilson, CRNA, PhD, MSN, for her notable career and outstanding achievements.

H. RES. 1288 NATIONAL CAMPUS SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH

SPEECH OF

HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 29, 2008

Mr. POE. Mr. Speaker, each fall, students arrive on college campuses and universities across the Nation to further their education. There is a general excitement about campus life and the opportunity to live away from home for the first time with little to no rules. However, the harsh reality soon becomes evident—that campuses are not immune from the threat of crime.

Recognizing the very real presence of crime on college campuses and universities across America, I am a cosponsor of H. Res. 1288, Supporting the goals and ideals of National Campus Safety Awareness Month. This resolution designates the month of September as the National Campus Safety Awareness Month in partnership with hundreds of colleges and universities in the Nation.

As the co-chair and founder of the Congressional Victim's Rights Caucus, I strongly believe that we need to raise awareness about crime issues present on campuses, such as sexual assault, stalking, hazing, and alcohol and drug abuse.

This resolution encourages our Nation's colleges and universities to promote campus safety and crime awareness prevention programs. I am proud to know that several colleges and universities from my home state of

Texas participated in the National Campus Safety Awareness Month last year, and my hope is that even more campuses and universities participate this year.

The facts are before us—from 2004–2006 there were 8,114 forcible-sex offenses, 8,923 aggravated assaults, and 37 homicides on college and university campuses. Although we would like to think that these higher education institutions are immune from such heinous acts of crime, sadly they are not.

I join with Rep. SESTAK in support of H. Res. 1288, the National Campus Safety Awareness Month, because although there is a lot of work to be done to make our campuses a safer place, this resolution is a step in the right direction.

TRIBUTE TO MS. LEE STURTEVANT

HON. ZOE LOFGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 30, 2008

Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments of Ms. Lee Sturtevant and wish her the very best upon her 85th birthday.

Over her years of service to the County of Santa Clara, Ms. Sturtevant has continually worked within the democratic process to help raise the standard of living for those who have the least.

Ms. Sturtevant has sought to get women involved in politics and to run for office. She successfully managed the 1974 campaign of Assemblywoman Leona Egeland, who was at that time the only woman serving in the Assembly. She continues to be a highly influential and informed leader within the Santa Clara County Democratic Central Committee and of DAWN, Democratic Activists for Women Now.

As a high school student, she was introduced to politics and its ability to benefit society by her mother, who took her to Los Angeles County Democratic Central Committee meetings. And, as a young girl, Sturtevant once dined over lunch with Eleanor Roosevelt.

Although many vibrant and youthful people of her age are enjoying retirement and relaxation, Ms. Sturtevant continues to employ her skills and dedication as a policy advisor for the office of Santa Clara County Supervisor Ken Yeager. In 1981, Lee served as my Chief of Staff when I was first elected to the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors. She has also worked on the staffs of other prominent Santa Clara County area elected officials.

Her career also includes working as a teacher and librarian for the Cupertino School District in addition to serving on the San Jose Unified School District Board of Education.

I would like to thank Lee Sturtevant for her service to my office and to the community of the County of Santa Clara. Best wishes upon your 85th birthday and may you celebrate many more in the years to come.

25 PINELLAS COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS HONORED WITH ANNE FRANK HUMANITARIAN AWARDS

HON. C. W. BILL YOUNG

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 30, 2008

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Madam Speaker, the Florida Holocaust Museum in St. Petersburg, Florida, which I have the privilege to represent, has honored 25 Pinellas County High School students with the Anne Frank Humanitarian Award for their work to improve our community and our world.

These students are being recognized for their volunteer efforts in a wide variety of areas including Special Olympics, Toys for Tots, community food drives, environmental awareness campaigns, mentoring programs for the less fortunate, hurricane and disaster relief projects, supporting our troops overseas, and raising funds to support an African orphanage.

The award was established just after the attacks on our Nation that took place September 11, 2001. Irene Weiss, who is now Chairman of the Museum's Board of Directors, decided that our Nation needed to step up and honor selfless acts of kindness by young people, particularly at a time of such violence and horror. As a result, the museum has honored high school juniors from the five county Tampa area every year since 2002.

The Museum pays tribute to juniors in hope that they will become role models in their schools as seniors to let their fellow classmates know that it is never too early to become community leaders. As the award's namesake Anne Frank once said, "How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world."

Madam Speaker, join me in congratulating the Pinellas County students that were honored this year. They are: Zachary Northcutt, Admiral Farragut Academy; Lady Nash, Bayside High School; Heather McShane, Boca Ciega High School; Dominic Delgado, Clearwater Central Catholic High School; Leigh Jester, Clearwater High School; Danielle Rodnizki, Countryside High School; Megan Dockerty, Dixie Hollins High School; Bo Everett, Dunedin High School; Jennifer Dipietro, East Lake High School; India Welch, Gibbs High School; Caitlan Welsh, Indian Rocks Christian School; Alyssa Boddie, Keswick Christian School; Christine McLarty, Lakewood High School; Maxwell Brickel, Largo High School; Alexandrea Wert, Northeast High School; Kathryn Keller, Northside Christian School; Jacqueline Watson, Osceola High School; Danielle Simpson, Palm Harbor University High School; Alicia Griggs, Pinellas Park High School; Caitlin DeMull, Seminole High School; Helen Kline, Shorecrest Preparatory School; Mikel Bryant, St. Petersburg Catholic High School; Amanda Emery, St. Petersburg Collegiate High School; Danielle Rossbach, St. Petersburg High School; Jessica Primiani, Tarpon Springs High School.

These youth, who are our future leaders, should remind us that our Nation is in good and capable hands. It is that volunteer spirit that has allowed our country to grow and prosper and to remain free and strong. Through their leadership, these students will become